

ber of delegates declared and returned to have been duly elected as before mentioned, being convened,

On motion of Mr. Lee, they proceeded to qualify agreeably to law, as members of the house of delegates.

All the attending delegates above mentioned, having then severally qualified in the presence of each other, as members of the house of delegates, before Isaac Holland, esquire, one of the justices of the peace of the state of Maryland, for Anne-Arundel county, in the manner and form required by the constitution and form of government and laws of said state, and of the United States, they took their seats in the house accordingly.

On motion by Mr. Hughes,

The members present adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

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TUESDAY, December 30th, 1828.

The members who attended yesterday assembled this day according to adjournment.

John Beckett, esquire, who is declared and returned a delegate duly elected for Calvert county, Philip King and Thomas Rogerson, esquires, who are declared and returned delegates duly elected for Charles county, Levin Millis, esquire, who is declared and returned a delegate duly elected for Talbot county, Thomas B. Turpin, esquire, who is declared and returned a delegate duly elected for Queen-Anne's county, and Samuel Sutton, esquire, who is declared and returned a delegate duly elected for Harford county, also attended; they appeared, and were severally qualified, in the manner and form prescribed by law, before Isaac Holland, esquire, a justice of the peace for Anne-Arundel county, as aforesaid, and took their seats as members of the house of delegates.

On motion of Mr. Teackle, the members present proceeded, by ballot, to the election of a Speaker, to preside over the deliberations of the house of delegates:—John G. Chapman, esquire, one of the delegates from Charles county, having been nominated for that office, and the ballots of the members collected,

On motion of Mr. Teackle, the ballots were examined and counted by the chief and assistant clerks, pro tempore; when it appeared, that of the seventy one ballots taken, Mr. Chapman had received forty-nine votes, and that there were twenty-two blank ballots. Whereupon,

Mr. Chapman was declared duly elected the speaker of the house of delegates; and being conducted by Messrs. Teackle and Rogerson to the speaker's chair, he made his